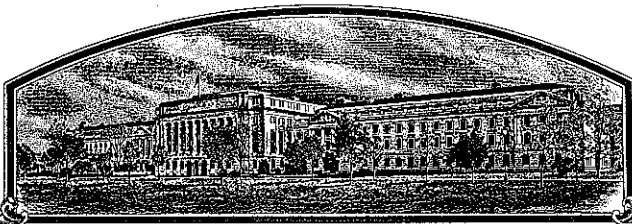


No.

9800048



THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Virginia Tech Intellectual Properties, Inc.

Whereas, THERE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE

Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED DISTINCT VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED, OR TUBER PROPAGATED, PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(S) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLICANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF TWENTY YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS GRANT, SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND PERIODIC REPLENISHMENT OF VIABLE BASIC SEED OF THE VARIETY IN A PUBLIC REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE RIGHT TO EXCLUDE OTHERS FROM SELLING THE VARIETY, OR OFFERING IT FOR SALE, OR REPRODUCING IT, OR IMPORTING IT, OR EXPORTING IT, OR CONDITIONING IT FOR PROPAGATION, OR STOCKING IT FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE PURPOSE, OR USING IT IN PRODUCING A HYBRID OR DIFFERENT VARIETY THEREFROM, TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT, IN THE UNITED STATES SEED OF THIS VARIETY (1) SHALL BE SOLD BY VARIETY NAME ONLY AS A CERTIFIED SEED AND (2) SHALL CONFORM TO THE NUMBER OF GENERATIONS SPECIFIED BY THE OWNER OF
1994 STAT. 1542, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

SOYBEAN

'Accomac'

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Plant Variety Protection Office to be affixed at the City of Washington, D.C. this thirty-first day of January, in the year of our Lord two thousand.

Attest:

Ann Marie Th... *Don Gilman*

Commissioner
Plant Variety Protection Office
Agricultural Marketing Service

Secretary of Agriculture

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE
SCIENCE DIVISION - PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE

The following statements are made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a).

Application is required in order to determine if a plant variety protection certificate is to be issued (7 U.S.C. 2421). Information is held confidential until certificate is issued (7 U.S.C. 2426).

APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION CERTIFICATE

(Instructions and information collection burden statement on reverse)

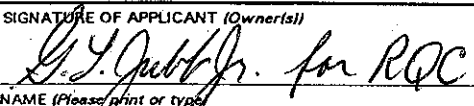
1. NAME OF APPLICANT(S) (as it is to appear on the Certificate)		2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR EXPERIMENTAL NUMBER	3. VARIETY NAME
Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station		V88-1234	Accomac
4. ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code, and Country)		5. TELEPHONE (include area code)	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PVPO NUMBER 9800048 DATE 12/24/97 24 DECEMBER 1997 FILING AND EXAMINATION FEE \$ 430.00 DATE 12/24/97 CERTIFICATION FEE \$ 300 DATE 10/27/97
College of Ag. and Life Sciences Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State Univ. Blacksburg, VA 24061		6. FAX (include area code)	
		(540) 231-6336	
		(540) 231-4163	
7. GENUS AND SPECIES NAME	8. FAMILY NAME (Botanical)		
Glycine max	Leguminosae		
9. CROP KIND NAME (Common name)			
Soybeans			
10. IF THE APPLICANT NAMED IS NOT A "PERSON", GIVE FORM OF ORGANIZATION (corporation, partnership, association, etc.) (Common name)			
Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station			
11. IF INCORPORATED, GIVE STATE OF INCORPORATION		12. DATE OF INCORPORATION	
13. NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVE(S), IF ANY, TO SERVE IN THIS APPLICATION AND RECEIVE ALL PAPERS			14. TELEPHONE (include area code)
Glenn R. Buss Crop and Soil Environmental Sciences Dept. Virginia Tech Blacksburg, VA 24061-0404			
			15. FAX (include area code)
16. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED (Follow instructions on reverse)			
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit A. Origin and Breeding History of the Variety b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit B. Statement of Distinctness c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit C. Objective Description of the Variety d. <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit D. Additional Description of the Variety e. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit E. Statement of the Basis of the Applicant's Ownership f. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Voucher Sample (2,500 viable untreated seeds or, for tuber propagated varieties verification that tissue culture will be deposited and maintained in a public repository) g. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Filing and Examination Fee (\$2,450), made payable to "Treasurer of the United States" (Mail to PVPO)			
17. DOES THE APPLICANT SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE SOLD BY VARIETY NAME ONLY, AS A CLASS OF CERTIFIED SEED? (See Section 83(a) of the Plant Variety Protection Act?)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES If "yes," answer items 18 and 19 below <input type="checkbox"/> NO If "no," go to item 20J			
18. DOES THE APPLICANT SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF GENERATIONS?		19. IF "YES" TO ITEM 18, WHICH CLASSES OF PRODUCTION BEYOND BREEDER SEED?	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FOUNDATION <input type="checkbox"/> REGISTERED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CERTIFIED	
20. HAS THE VARIETY OR A HYBRID PRODUCED FROM THE VARIETY BEEN RELEASED, USED, OFFERED FOR SALE, OR MARKETING IN THE U.S. OR OTHER COUNTRIES?			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES If "yes," give names of countries and dates <input type="checkbox"/> NO			
United States Spring, 1997			
21. The applicant(s) declare that a viable sample of basic seed of the variety will be furnished with application and will be replenished upon request in accordance with such regulations as may be applicable, or for a tuber propagated variety a tissue culture will be deposited in a public repository and maintained for the duration of the certificate.			
The undersigned applicant(s) is(are) the owner(s) of this sexually reproduced or tuber propagated plant variety, and believe(s) that the variety is new, distinct, uniform, and stable as required in Section 41, and is entitled to protection under the provisions of Section 42 of the Plant Variety Protection Act.			
Applicant(s) is(are) informed that false representation herein can jeopardize protection and result in penalties.			
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT (Owner(s))		SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT (Owner(s))	
 NAME (Please print or type) R.C. Cannell			
CAPACITY OR TITLE		CAPACITY OR TITLE	
Director, VAES			
DATE		DATE	
12-8-97			

Exhibit A

Origin and Breeding History of Accomac

Accomac originated from a single F₅ plant from the cross of D77-6056 x LS79-330. Both parents had resistance to Race 3 of soybean cyst nematode (SCN) and the rootknot nematodes, Meloidogyne arenaria and M. incognita. The cross was advanced to the F₄ generation as a bulk population with no selection. The F₅ generation was planted in 1987 at the Tidewater AREC, Suffolk, VA, in a field infested with SCN. Fifty-nine plants that appeared to be resistant were selected and threshed individually. A progeny row from each plant was planted at the Eastern Virginia AREC, Warsaw, VA, in 1988 and further selection was practiced based on visual phenotype. Accomac was one of the selected lines. It was evaluated as V88-1234 in local breeding line tests from 1989 through 1991 and in the Southern Regional Cooperative Soybean tests from 1992 through 1994.

In order to produce pure stock seed, 42 plants of V88-1234 were harvested individually in 1992 and seeds from each plant were planted in single rows in 1993. One row was discarded as being atypical, and the remainder were harvested and composited. This seed was planted at the Eastern Virginia AREC in 1995 and approximately seven bushels were harvested and designated as Breeder Seed. The first Foundation Seed was produced in 1996.

A very low percentage of plants with gray pubescence and brown hilum was observed in early increases of Accomac, but these have largely been removed by roguing. The incidence of such plants is now less than 0.1%. No other variants have been observed.

Exhibit B

Exhibit B

Statement of Distinctness

A search of the PVP soybean database revealed ^{seven} ~~eight~~ cultivars that have purple flower color, tawny pubescence color, tan pod color, maturity group V, and are resistant to race 3 of soybean cyst nematode. Three of these (A5939, RA-502 and S59-60) can be distinguished from Accomac because they are also resistant to race 4 of SCN while Accomac is susceptible. Four of the remainder (6925, Coker 485, Hartz 5252 and Terral TV5495) all have spherical-flattened seeds while Accomac has spherical seeds. ~~The only remaining similar cultivar is Dyer, for which some information is missing. Since Dyer is an old cultivar which is not apparently grown anymore, side-by-side comparison data are not available. However, its 15-gram/100 seed size should be distinguishable from the 14 gram/100 seed size of Accomac. Also, by indirect comparison, it appears that Accomac would be significantly taller than Dyer. In the 1966 and 1967 Southern Regional Cooperative Uniform Test V, Dyer was one to two inches shorter than York. In the 1995 and 1996 Virginia State Variety tests, Accomac was two inches taller than York in both years. Using York as the link between the two sets of data, it would appear that Accomac would be three to four inches taller than Dyer.~~

Lwk
16 July 1998

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE
~~LIVESTOCK, MEAT, GRAIN, POULTRY DIVISION~~
PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE
BELTSVILLE, MARYLAND 20705

EXHIBIT C
(Soybean)

OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY
SOYBEAN (*Glycine max* L.)

NAME OF APPLICANT(S) Virginia Agricultural Expt. Station	TEMPORARY DESIGNATION V88-1234	VARIETY NAME Accomac
ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and Zip Code) College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Virginia Tech Blacksburg, VA 24061		FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PVPO NUMBER 9800048

Choose the appropriate response which characterizes the variety in the features described below. When the number of significant digits in your answer is fewer than the number of boxes provided, place a zero in the first box when number is 9 or less (e.g., 0 9). Starred characters ★ are considered fundamental to an adequate soybean variety description. Other characters should be described when information is available.

1. SEED SHAPE:

1

1 = Spherical (L/W, L/T, and T/W ratios = < 1.2)
3 = Elongate (L/T ratio > 1.2; T/W = < 1.2)

2 = Spherical Flattened (L/W ratio > 1.2; L/T ratio = < 1.2)
4 = Elongate Flattened (L/T ratio > 1.2; T/W > 1.2)

★ 2. SEED COAT COLOR: (Mature Seed)

1

1 = Yellow

2 = Green

3 = Brown

4 = Black

5 = Other (Specify) _____

3. SEED COAT LUSTER: (Mature Hand Shelled Seed)

1

1 = Dull ('Corsoy 79'; 'Braxton')

2 = Shiny ('Nebsoy'; 'Gasoy 17')

★ 4. SEED SIZE: (Mature Seed)

14

Grams per 100 seeds

★ 5. HILUM COLOR: (Mature Seed)

6

1 = Buff

2 = Yellow

3 = Brown

4 = Gray

5 = Imperfect Black

6 = Black

7 = Other (Specify) _____

★ 6. COTYLEDON COLOR: (Mature Seed)

1

1 = Yellow

2 = Green

★ 7. SEED PROTEIN PEROXIDASE ACTIVITY:

1

1 = Low

2 = High

★ 8. SEED PROTEIN ELECTROPHORETIC BAND:

1 = Type A (SP1^a)2 = Type B (SP1^b)

★ 9. HYPOCOTYL COLOR:

3

1 = Green only ('Evans'; 'Davis')

2 = Green with bronze band below cotyledons ('Woodworth'; 'Tracy')

3 = Light Purple below cotyledons ('Beeson'; 'Pickett 71')

4 = Dark Purple extending to unifoliate leaves ('Hodgson'; 'Coker Hampton 266A')

★ 10. LEAFLET SHAPE:

3

1 = Lanceolate

2 = Oval

3 = Ovate

4 = Other (Specify) _____

11. LEAFLET SIZE:

3

1 = Small ('Amsoy 71'; 'A5312')
3 = Large ('Crawford'; 'Tracy')

2 = Medium ('Corsoy 79'; 'Gasoy 17')

12. LEAF COLOR:

1 = Light Green ('Weber'; 'York')
3 = Dark Green ('Gnome'; 'Tracy')

2 = Medium Green ('Corsoy 79'; 'Braxton')

★ 13. FLOWER COLOR:

2

1 = White 2 = Purple 3 = White with purple throat

★ 14. POD COLOR:

1

1 = Tan 2 = Brown 3 = Black

★ 15. PLANT PUBESCENCE COLOR:

2

1 = Gray 2 = Brown (Tawny)

16. PLANT TYPES:

2

1 = Slender ('Essex'; 'Amsoy 71')
3 = Bushy ('Gnome'; 'Govan')

2 = Intermediate ('Amcor'; 'Braxton')

★ 17. PLANT HABIT:

1

1 = Determinate ('Gnome'; 'Braxton')
3 = Indeterminate ('Nebsoy'; 'Improved Pelican')

2 = Semi-Determinate ('Will')

★ 18. MATURITY GROUP:

08

1 = 000
9 = VI

2 = 00
10 = VII

3 = 0
11 = VIII

4 = I
12 = IX

5 = II
13 = X

6 = III

7 = IV

8 = V

★ 19. DISEASE REACTION: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant)

BACTERIAL DISEASES:

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Bacterial Pustule (*Xanthomonas phaseoli* var. *sojensis*)

★

Bacterial Blight (*Pseudomonas glycinea*)

★

Wildfire (*Pseudomonas tabaci*)

FUNGAL DISEASES:

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Brown Spot (*Septoria glycines*)

Frogeye Leaf Spot (*Cercospora sojae*)

★

Race 1

Race 2

Race 3

Race 4

Race 5

Other (Specify)

Target Spot (*Corynespora cassicola*)

Downy Mildew (*Peronospora trifoliorum* var. *manshurica*)

Powdery Mildew (*Microspheera diffusa*)

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Brown Stem Rot (*Cephalosporium gregatum*)

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Stem Canker (*Diaporthe phaseolorum* var. *caulivora*)

19. DISEASE REACTION: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant) (Continued)

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FUNGAL DISEASES: (Continued)

- ★ ☐ Pod and Stem Blight (*Diaporthe phaseolorum* var; *sojae*)
- ☐ Purple Seed Stain (*Cercospora kikuchii*)
- ☐ Rhizoctonia Root Rot (*Rhizoctonia solani*)
- ☐ Phytophthora Rot (*Phytophthora megasperma* var. *sojae*)
- ★ ☐ Race 1 ☐ Race 2 ☐ Race 3 ☐ Race 4 ☐ Race 5 ☐ Race 6 ☐ Race 7
- ☐ Race 8 ☐ Race 9 ☐ Other (Specify) _____

VIRAL DISEASES:

- ☐ Bud Blight (Tobacco Ringspot Virus)
- ☐ Yellow Mosaic (Bean Yellow Mosaic Virus)
- ★ ☐ Cowpea Mosaic (Cowpea Chlorotic Virus)
- ☐ Pod Mottle (Bean Pod Mottle Virus)
- ★ ☒ Seed Mottle (Soybean Mosaic Virus)

NEMATODE DISEASES:

- ★ ☒ Soybean Cyst Nematode (*Heterodera glycines*)
- ☒ Race 1 ☒ Race 2 ☒ Race 3 ☒ Race 4 ☐ Other (Specify) _____
- ☐ Lance Nematode (*Hoplolaimus Colombus*)
- ★ ☒ Southern Root Knot Nematode (*Meloidogyne incognita*)
- ★ ☐ Northern Root Knot Nematode (*Meloidogyne Hapla*)
- ☒ Peanut Root Knot Nematode (*Meloidogyne arenaria*)
- ☐ Reniform Nematode (*Rotylenchulus reniformis*)
- ☒ OTHER DISEASE NOT ON FORM (Specify): _____

20. PHYSIOLOGICAL RESPONSES: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant)

- ★ ☐ Iron Chlorosis on Calcareous Soil
- ☐ Other (Specify) _____

21. INSECT REACTION: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant)

- ☒ Mexican Bean Beetle (*Epilachna varivestis*)
- ☒ Potato Leaf Hopper (*Empoasca fabae*)
- ☐ Other (Specify) _____

22. INDICATE WHICH VARIETY MOST CLOSELY RESEMBLES THAT SUBMITTED.

CHARACTER	NAME OF VARIETY	CHARACTER	NAME OF VARIETY
Plant Shape		Seed Coat Luster	
Leaf Shape		Seed Size	
Leaf Color		Seed Shape	
Leaf Size		Seedling Pigmentation	

23. GIVE DATA FOR SUBMITTED AND SIMILAR STANDARD VARIETY: Paired Comparison Data

VARIETY	NO. OF DAYS MATURITY	PLANT LODGING SCORE	CM PLANT HEIGHT	LEAFLET SIZE		SEED CONTENT		SEED SIZE G/100 SEEDS	NO. SEEDS/ POD
				CM Width	CM Length	% Protein	% Oil		
Submitted									
Name of Similar Variety									

PUBLICATIONS USEFUL AS REFERENCE AIDS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM:

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Exhibit E

Statement of the Basis of Applicant's Ownership

Accomac was originated and developed by Glenn R. Buss, an employee of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. By agreement between employee and Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, all rights to any invention, discovery, or development made by an employee are assigned to Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. No rights to such invention, discovery, or development are retained by the employee.